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Title: COBALT COMPOUND FOR USE IN ALKALINE STORAGE BATTERY,  
METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME, AND POSITIVE  
ELECTRODE PLATE OF ALKALINE STORAGE BATTERY  
EMPLOYING THE SAME

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